

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NOTICE OF FILING

## DOCKET NO. 2021-144-E

**Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Smart Saver Solar as Energy Efficiency Program**

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (the Company or DEC) has filed an Application for Approval of the Smart Saver Solar as Energy Efficiency Program (Program) to be included as part of its suite of Energy Efficiency (EE) and Demand-Side Management (DSM) programs effective beginning January 1, 2022 without the need for prefiled testimony or hearing. The Application was filed pursuant to S. C. Code Ann. § 58-37-20, S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-823, the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Commission, and Order No. 2021-32.

The Application states:

- The purpose of the Program is to encourage reductions in energy consumption by incentivizing the installation of solar photovoltaic facilities at residential premises.
- The Program is designed to incentivize new residential rooftop solar PV installations for the purpose of reducing behind-the-meter customer energy consumption while not reducing function for the customer.
- The Company's proposal would require participants to remain in the Program for 25 years and to enroll in the Bring Your Own Thermostat Program.
- The Company proposes that the costs incurred by the Company associated with the Program be recovered through the Company's EE/DSM rider.
- The Company proposes an upfront rooftop solar incentive of \$0.36/Watt-DC.

**If the Application or Petition in this case contains a request for adjustment of rates, the rates are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the course of this case.**

A copy of the company's Application can be found on the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) under **Docket No. 2021-144-E**. Additionally, a copy of the Application is available from the office of Heather S. Smith, Esquire, Duke Energy Corporation, 40 West Broad Street, Suite 690, Greenville, South Carolina 29601 and Samuel J. Wellborn, Esquire, Robinson Gray Stepp & Laffitte, LLC, 1310 Gadsden Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a Party of Record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **July 15, 2021**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all Parties of Record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2021-144-E and mail a copy to all other Parties in this docket.*** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **July 15, 2021**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2021-144-E.***

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested Parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested Parties at a later date.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and *Docket No. 2021-144-E*.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at **(803) 896-5100** or visit its website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

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